

Bulldog baseball ends weekend with wins

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Photo by Miranda Clark

Junior Zach Wilson, Miliken, Colo., throws a ball back in from the outfield. The Bulldogs 12-22 overall and 6-10 in conference. The Bulldogs started the season off rough, but they are turning it around and putting some wins up on the board. The Bulldogs' next game will be on April 12 and 13 against the Bethany Swedes.

McPherson scored 2 in the fifth giving them a 1 point advantage over Ottawa. In the seventh inning, both teams scored 1 run ending the game 6-5 McPherson ending with the win.

The combination of good pitching and timely hitting helped on Saturday," Ehling

said. "We threw almost 70 percent strikes and had 29 hits. We also are starting to believe in our ability. The guys are playing with confidence."

The Bulldog's next game will be against the Bethany Swedes on April 12 and 13. The Bulldogs will start their game on Fri-

day at 5 p.m. It will be at home in McPherson.

"We continue to talk about the importance of detail," Ehling said. "There are a lot of small decisions in a game that can determine a large outcome. We need to learn the importance of those moments."



Men's tennis improve ranking overall, in conference



Photo by Robin De Young

Men's tennis defeats Kansas Wesleyan, Baker College

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Improve personal wellness through meditation

On Monday, April 15, Kelli Johnson, personal counselor, will be hosting Mandalas and Meditation in the basement of the Hoffman Student Union at 7 p.m.

Students can color mandalas, which helps focus thoughts on repetitive movements or images. Students can also focus on breathing and relaxation, also known as meditation. These activities help prevent the mind from too many stray thoughts. Stray thoughts can lead to increased feelings of stress, depression and anxiety. Enjoy a night of relaxation with other students while improving personal wellness.

There are 18 slots open, reserve a spot by contacting Kelli Johnson at johnsonk@mpcherson.edu or 620-242-0502.

Business Club executive board elections earns points for traveling

Business Club executive board elections for the 2013-2014 academic year will take place on Friday, April 12 at 4 p.m. in Mohler 231.

If a student does not want to be nominated, attend the meeting anyways; it is worth points toward the Business Club trip next year.

If a student wishes to be nominated as a candidate, but cannot attend the meeting, email John Regier at regijoh@bulldog.mcherson.edu.

Student takes large responsibility as coordinator

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A McPherson College student accepted the responsibility of helping coordinate the Church of the Brethren's National Youth Conference.

The conference is held every four years. Sarah Neher, jr., Rochester, Minn., is helping by overseeing the housing, service, recreation and more.

"I really get to have a hand in everything," Neher said. "It's

going to be fun, even if it will be a lot of work."

The largest priority that the team has set on is increasing the diversity of the attendees.

"We are reaching out to churches in Brooklyn and Haiti in hopes of having a great community there," Neher said.

She will not be alone dealing with all the tasks pertaining to such a large event. There will be two other coordinators that will work as a team to accomplish the variety of tasks at hand.



Sarah Neher

Students recognized for academic excellence, participation

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Ten McPherson College students were recognized nationally through "Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

"The Who's Who Award is to recognize students who excel academically and in participation on campuses," said Michael Reynolds, professor of mathematics. "It's a national program where they are recognized nationally through this publication."

This is Reynolds' first year being in charge of the award.

The national organization leaves it to the colleges to select the criteria of eligible students.

McPherson College students do not need to apply in order to be eligible; students are eligible if they are classified as a senior with a GPA of 3.0 or better.

In the fall semester, Reynolds will get a list of all eligible students from Allison Mackey, assistant registrar, or another staff member from the dean's suite.

He then contacts every student that meets the criteria and gives them the op-

portunity to list activities that they have been involved in, such as sports, clubs, performing arts, honor societies, community service, church involvement and any other kind of organization.

Then, the list is distributed to faculty who have been at the college for at least two years and they vote for as many students as they feel are worthy of the award.

This is the end of the involvement with the college.

From there, "Who's Who," which is based out of Alabama, will directly contact the students who have won and explain other opportunities that are available, such as scholarships.

Reynolds has received the certificates and will present them at the Spring Convocation scheduled for Friday, May 3 at 11 a.m. in Brown Auditorium.

This year's McPherson College recipients are: Taylor Adams, sr., Ashland, Va.; Vyacheslav Bukatin, sr., Perm, Russia; Jacee Coberly, sr., Gove; Torey Fry, sr., Wichita; Emily James, sr., Westminster, Colo.; Aurore Joigny, sr., Deuil-la-Barre, France; Claire Krizek, sr., McPherson; Casey Maxon, sr., Lawrence; Kasey Mill-

er, sr., Derby and Erik Steffens, sr., Dighton.

Miller said, "When I was notified I had received the Who's Who Among Students award, I received a great sense of satisfaction and was proud of what I had accomplished during my tenure at McPherson College. It also provided me with the feeling that all the hard work I had put into school in the past four years did not go unnoticed."

Krizek said, "I was excited because it's a big honor that focuses on leadership and all aspects of your college career."

Joigny said, "I was really excited."

These students also get an additional honor.

Reynolds said, "It is the tradition at McPherson College that these students get the additional honor to select the professor of the year. At the Spring Convocation, after I'm done presenting their certificates, they make their presentation of the professor of the year award. This is always interesting because there are a variety of majors among these ten students. So there may be professors that some of them may not have had. Most of the time, the award is being presented to a professor who most of them have had, but some of them haven't, but they know the professor is worthy of the award."

Women's tennis falls to Kansas Wesleyan, Baker

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Photo by Robin De Young

Junior Kara Wright, Wichita, goes for the ball in her match against Kansas Wesleyan. Wright was the only Bulldog to defeat her opponent in the matches.

The Lady Bulldogs were defeated the weekend of April 6, by Kansas Wesleyan University and Baker University. The Bulldogs showed improvement in their game but weren't able to get any team wins.

Junior Kara Wright, Wichita, played well. She was the only Bulldog to defeat her opponent in the matches against Kansas Wesleyan. Wright won the first set 6-4, lost the second set 2-6 and came back to win the match 15-13.

"That match was very back and forth," said Wright. "It started off well with my winning of the first set, but she came back

and won the second. The tie-breaker ended up being 15-13, me, and all I could do was keep pushing to get that win for my team."

Kiara Mathis, jr., Hays, also played well, taking her opponent into a tie-breaker

match she ended up losing 3-6 in the first, won 6-2 in the second and lost the third match 10-2.

"I feel like, as a team, we worked incredibly hard to do our best in each match," Wright said. "We always put up a good fight!"

The Lady Bulldogs next match will be against Central Christian College at McPherson on April 13 at 7 p.m.

"We'll be working on a little bit of everything for our future matches. We strive to be well-rounded players," Wright said.

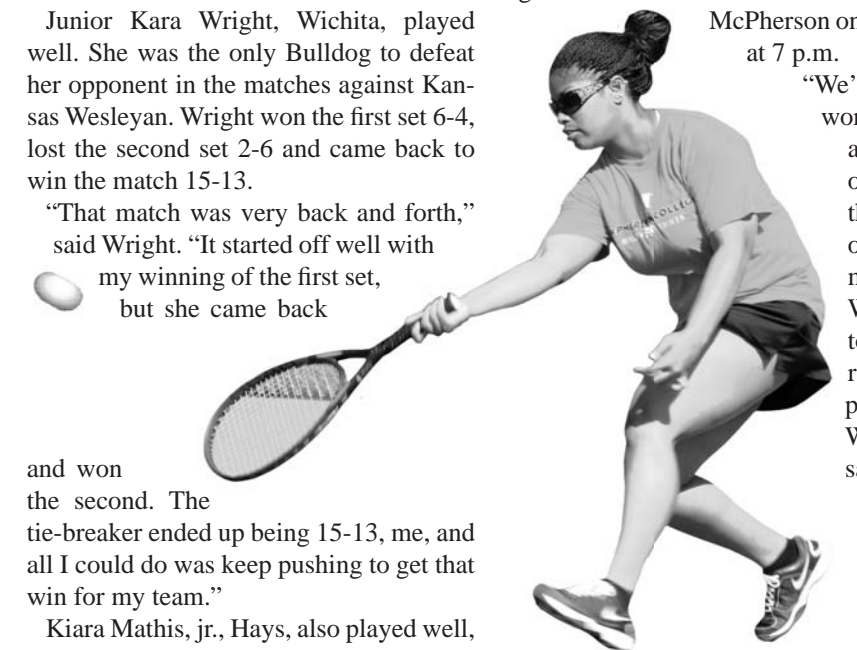


Photo by Robin De Young

Kiara Mathis, jr., Hays

Softball takes tough losses on the weekend

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The McPherson softball team had two tough losses on Saturday, April 6 as Friends University beat the Bulldogs 11-0 and 11-2.

In the first game of the day McPherson didn't have very good luck. Friends came out scoring 2 consecutive runs in both the fourth and fifth innings. During the sev-

"We have a lot we need to work on, but we have improved little by little each game."

-Jenna Kaiser, fr.

enth inning the Falcons scored another 7 runs to end the game 11-0.

The Lady Bulldogs put up a little better fight in the second game coming out scoring 1 run in the first. McPherson had a tough time with defense letting the Falcons score 1 run in both the third and fourth and then 6 runs in the fifth. Both teams scored 1 run in the sixth and then Friends finished out the seventh with 2 runs making the final score 11-2.

"We did a decent job at fielding but our hitting really struggled," said Jenna Kaiser, fr., short stop.

McPherson is now 4-13 on the season and 0-4 in conference.

"We have a lot we need to work on but we have improved little by little each game," said Kaiser.

The Bulldog's next game will be on Sunday, April 13 against the University of Saint Mary's at 1 p.m. at Leavenworth.

Track team brings home thirteen top-three finishes

RONALDO FILHO
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McPherson College Track and Field team went to Hutchinson to compete at Hutchinson County Community College Night Relays, Saturday, April 6 and brought four top-three finishes for the men's team and nine for the women's team.

The Bulldogs had good individual performances as Brandon Sherier, Jr., Milwaukie, Ore., finished second in the 800-meter run with a time of 1 minute 54.35 seconds. Perry Joseph, fr., Seminole, Fla., was slightly behind of his personal record in the 100-meter dash as he crossed the stripe at 10.96, grabbing the third place, and Chance Spicer, fr., Halstead, finished third in long jump with 6.29m.

"I was very pleased with the team's performance," said Track and Field Head Coach Cameron Magnall. "I was concerned with how we would do after a two week layoff, but all of our athletes stepped it up and performed well."

The Lady Bulldog Sharica Pleasant, jr., Long Beach, Calif., performed in multiple events. She had a second, one third and two fourth places finishes in the 100m hurdles, javelin, long jump and shot put, respectively. Aspen Frey, jr., Newton, brought home the second place in the 1500m run establishing a mark of 5:10.75.

"We just need to continue getting experience under our belts," Magnall said. "The warmer weather will help us get higher quality practices in to help fine tune all of our technical events."

Freshman from Williston, Fla., Rea Samuels grabbed the first place in the 100m dash with a time of 12.49, which gave Samuels the award of KCAC Track Athlete of the Week.

Samuels said, "I would say I did pretty well at Hutch Night Relays. I came first in my event, but my time was not what I wanted it to be. As a team I think everyone did well, since this was only our second outdoor meet of the season, so I feel like

we'll get better and better and hopefully be able to make a statement at conference."

Samuels went just 0.02 seconds above her personal record, and she also contributed to the Lady Bulldogs for a second place finish in the 4x400m relay with a time of 4:16.20, and fourth in the 4x100m relay at 50.49.

"In these next few meets my goal is to get the school record which currently stands at 12.3," Samuels said. "In order for me to get there I really need to get my starts right. During practice I do a great job driving out of the blocks, but when I get to a meet it never happens that way. My start is definitely my biggest concern for this season."

Paul Rotering, jr., Colorado Springs, Colo., finished second in the javelin throw with a mark of 57.03m, just some inches behind his season's best of 57.22m. Rotering's performance gave him his second award of KCAC Track Athlete of the Week of the season.

Rotering said, "I am only hoping for the best on the rest of the meets. Improving every day, and at every meet is what I'm looking for. And what I need to do to reach that is practice throwing and work on technique as much as possible and workout the proper muscles that will help throw the javelin."

Megan Pohlmann, jr., Deshler, Neb., finished second in the hammer throw for a mark of 42.39m, and third on discus with a personal record throw of 32.55m.

Pholmann said, "After having a whole month off from having emergency surgery, I have been pretty happy where I am. I was afraid I wasn't going to bounce back as fast but at Hutchinson I was able to achieve a personal record in discus and hit an impressive mark in hammer. I am looking forward to the national qualifying mark, which I'm working hard to reach it. With the help from Coach Sanders and my teammates, I hope to reach that mark."

McPherson Track and Field team travel on Thursday, April 18 to Lawrence, where



Photo by Miranda Clark

Junior Sharica Pleasant, Long Beach, Calif., makes her jump in the long jump to place fourth in the meet. The Bulldogs' next meet will be April 18 in Wichita.

they will compete at the Kansas University Relays. Magnall said, "I expect us to come out and hold our own with some

bigger schools and come home with some new personal bests, school records and national qualifiers."

College named to honor roll for fifth consecutive year

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For five straight years since 2008, McPherson College has been named to The President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, including a "With Distinction" honor in 2010.

The honor roll was established under the Corporation for National and Community Service in 2006.

The honor roll recognizes colleges and universities that support and encourage service.

"The Federal Government has certain criteria by which they judge applications, but the colleges are never told the criteria," said Tom Hurst, director of service. "Whatever the criteria is, we meet it."

At the end of the 2011-2012 academic

year, McPherson College students participated in more than 17,323 hours of volunteer service. This was a 54 percent increase from the 2010-2011 academic year. More than 500 students have logged over 10,000 hours of community service for the current academic year.

Hurst keeps a database of all of the students who have completed service hours, how many service hours each of them have completed, and through which organizations they have done the service through.

Service hours can be through service hours on campus, through the city of McPherson, through the state and even nationally for this academic year to be included in the database.

Isabelle Moyer, fr., McPherson, volunteered for the Regional Youth Conference held for the Church of the Brethren high

school students each year on McPherson College's campus. The conference took place from Friday, March 15 through Sunday, March 17.

Moyer said, "I enjoyed it because I met a lot of really cool people. Basically, we just hang out for the weekend while growing spiritually and making friendships. We also went to a pie auction that raised money for Christian Peacemaker Teams. The Regional Youth Conference group bought two pies, one for \$90 and another for \$551."

If a student is interested in having their name on the list, contact Tom Hurst by visiting his office on the first floor of the student union, by e-mail at hurstt@mcpherson.edu or at 620-242-0503. Students should include the name of the organization and number of hours completed.



Submitted Photo

High school students from across the country meet new people while growing spiritually during the Regional Youth Conference held for Church of the Brethren students. The conference took place from Friday, March 15 through Sunday, March 17 on McPherson College's campus. Since 2008, McPherson College has been named to The President's Higher Education Community Service Honor roll for five consecutive years, including a "With Distinction" in 2010.

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McPherson High School provides services opportunity

If a student is looking for an opportunity to earn service hours, McPherson High School's prom will take place this weekend. SGA and APO of McPherson are looking for 10 to 15 volunteers to help ten McPherson High School ladies get ready for prom by doing hair, make-up, and nails.

Volunteers will also help host a free dinner for McPherson High School students.

This service project will take place in Mingenback Theatre on Saturday, April 13.

There is a sign-up sheet in the Royer Center. If a student is interested, they can also contact Shay Maclin, dean of students, at maclins@mcpherson.edu; Ashlie Manzi, jr., Goddard, at manzash@bulldog.mcpherson.edu; or Katie Naccarato, sr., Valley Center, at naccat@bulldog.mcpherson.edu.

Horizon Fund grant deadline quickly approaches

The deadline for the final round of Horizon Funds has been pushed back to Friday, April 19.

Applications for the grant, which can be found online, are due to Kori Gregg, vice president for entrepreneurship and innovation by email.

If a student has questions, they are encouraged to contact Gregg at greggk@mcpherson.edu.

Schneider named visiting scholar

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Spectator Staff



Submitted Photo

President Michael Schneider traveled to Rutgers University in early March. Rutgers named Schneider the Diversity Research Center's Spring 2013 Visiting Scholar. Schneider's trip consisted of two and a half days of lectures, exploring the campus and panel discussions with graduate and undergraduate students. On March 5, Schneider met with faculty and administration. He presented information about leadership and its importance in diversity. On March 6, Schneider visited Rutgers' Business School. He presented information about entrepreneurship and leadership to the students. Schneider enjoyed speaking with the students because this allowed him to get more interaction with graduate students, which he can't get at other universities. He tries to make two or three trips each year because, not only does it represent McPherson College, Schneider is receiving a great learning experience. Rutgers is the most diverse college in the country; 75 percent of its students are minorities. Rutgers took interest in McPherson College because the college is one of the most racially diverse colleges in the Midwest. These trips are more than just presentations; they are a way to build connections.

Rutgers University named McPherson College President Michael Schneider the Diversity Research Center's Spring 2013 Visiting Scholar.

Schneider traveled to Rutgers University in New Jersey in early March.

This trip consisted of two and a half days of lectures, exploring the campus and panel discussions with graduate and undergraduate students.

On March 5, Schneider met with key administration and faculty to present information about leadership and its importance in diversity.

On March 6, Schneider visited Rutgers' Business School to present information on entrepreneurship and leadership.

Schneider enjoyed speaking and the panel discussions with students since they let him get more raw and candid than usually allowed with the graduate students at other universities.

"I try and make two to three trips like this a year," Schneider said. "It helps represent McPherson in a different way, all while providing great learning experience for me."

Rutgers took interest in Schneider visiting because McPherson College is one of the most racially diverse colleges in the Midwest. Rutgers is the most diverse university in the country: 75 percent of its students are minorities. Trips like these are bringing perspective to initiatives that McPherson College implements over the years, while also allowing Schneider to learn from others who are thinking about the same ideas.

Schneider mentioned that this trip was more than just entrepreneurship presentations.

"These trips build connections and tie us to places that we can learn from, but they are also learning from us and that's what fun about it," Schneider said.

Men's tennis drops opponents

Bulldogs now 18-5 overall, 2-0 in conference

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The McPherson Bulldogs tennis team came out this past weekend to dominate Kansas Wesleyan on Saturday, April 6.

McPherson started off strong from the beginning. Rafael Bulnes, soph., Rosmalen, Netherlands, and Sean De Young, jr., Anaheim, Calif., won their match 8-0. Number one duo Slav Bukatin, sr., Moscow, Russia, and Sean Dullaghan, jr., Los Angeles, Calif., won 8-2 in their doubles match. Ronaldo Filho, sr., Sao Paulo, Brazil, and Adolfo Serafin, fr., Maracay, Venezuela, defeated their opponent 8-5.

In singles, the teams swept Kansas Wesleyan again. Mark Mahan, jr., Fullerton, Calif., defeated his opponent 7-5, 6-4 respectively. Torsten Keil-Long, sr., Claremont, Calif., also defeated his opponent 6-2, 6-4. Dullaghan won his match as well 6-4, 6-2. De Young had a sweep as well, winning 6-2, 2-0. Serafin and Jordan Stewart, soph., Sterling, both won their matches 6-4, 6-2 and 6-1, 7-6 respectively.

McPherson defeated Kansas Wesleyan and continued another round of matches because they had another game against Baker College.

In doubles, Bukatin and Dullaghan de-



Photo by Robin De Young

Freshman Adolfo Serafin, Maracay, Venezuela, goes for the ball during his match against Kansas Wesleyan on Saturday April 6. The Bulldogs won against both opponents this past weekend which makes their record 18-5 overall.

"I think we performed well in doubles executing our plays instead of reacting to the other teams plays."

-Coach Benito

feated Baker University number one doubles team 8-1. Mahan and Keil-Long also defeated their opponent 8-3. Bulnes and De Young won their match 8-0.

"I think we performed well in doubles executing our plays instead of reacting to the other teams plays," said Benito, head men's tennis coach.

In singles, McPherson came out swinging as Bulnes won his match 6-0, 6-0. De

Young and Filho won their matches as well with 6-2, 6-3 and 6-1, 6-4. Serafin defeated his opponent 6-1, 6-1 and Stewart defeated his as well 6-1, 6-2.

McPherson ended up with the win defeated Baker University in a sweep.

"I think what contributed to our success this past weekend was our experiences in California," Benito said. "We understand what we need to do and we know what it

takes to compete at the National level for the NAIA."

The McPherson College Tennis team will head to Ottawa University on Saturday, April 13. They will play at 9 a.m.

"We have a few tough matches coming especially against Washburn University and Bethany College so we'll have to focus more on our conditioning and mental preparedness," Benito said.

Narrow degrees of separation can be found in life

This time I am moved to write about something that is not automotive related.

My friend, Strider Benston, was one of the white kids to join the civil rights movement in the '60s. Not content to stand on the sidelines as a cheerleader, Strider flung himself into the middle of the maelstrom. That wasn't unusual; some of the white kids were beaten, shot, lynched or all three before being dumped into shallow graves. But Strider was different because he was a southerner, hailing from rural Arkansas. The elite of the '60s southern hierarchy hated seeing their young men defect to the other side and treated the defectors even more harshly than the Yankees.

The name "Strider" stems from his long-

distance running career. His real name is Jim, but when Martin Luther King Jr. put Jim (Strider) on a bus, with all of \$25 in his pocket, to go off and proselytize for the movement, Dr. King said, "Give 'em hell, Arkansas." When I greet Strider (Jim), I usually call him "Arkansas" out of respect for his dedication and sacrifice.

Sacrifice he did. Though the movement was non-violent, the response to it was not. He was beaten, kicked, dragged and thrown in jail. When his pastor and his father found out he was in jail, they sent him a joint letter saying they both hoped he would rot in Hell.

Though he survived, Strider's life was forever changed as a result of his choice

to stand up for what he believed. He has stayed an activist all his life. It is not too difficult to see the link between that activism and his current struggles with poverty and near-homelessness. Bad luck has also played a part; in mid-life he lost a significant pension because fraud in the upper ranks of union management.

Now I recognize my point. It is this: as a direct result of Strider's actions, there is only one degree of separation between me and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. King, Strider, me. That's amazing. Me, a white guy born in Nebraska,

raised in Colorado and transplanted in Kansas. Incredible. Is this just an anomaly? Do such connections exist all the time, and we just don't know it? Or is this a real rift in the fabric of normal life? If I allow it, will it change everything?



OLD IRON

Scott Versaw

ON THE FLY

How do you feel about the mounting tension between North Korea and the U.S.?

"The last thing the world needs is more fighting."

Aurore Joigny, sr.,
Deuil-la-Barre, France.



"We should let our actions be motivated by love, rather than fear."

Taylor Adams, sr.,
Ashland, Va.



"I have not heard enough about it in the news."

Ashlie Manzi, jr.,
Goddard.



"I'll send my dad over there with a leather strap so he can teach them the same lesson he taught me."

Rick Morchesky, jr.,
Greensburg, Pa.



"Don't blame me I voted for Ron Paul!"

Casey Maxon, sr.,
Lawrence.



"Why can't we all just get along?"

Zach Oller, fr.,
Newton.

"Fortune Magazine" editor at large speaks about technology

LAURINA HANNAN
Editor-in-Chief

An acclaimed technology journalist, native to McPherson, spoke on different aspects of technology at the Flory Lecture on Sunday, April 7.

"Technology change is constant," said Brenton Schlender, editor at large for "Fortune Magazine." "It will never stop changing."

The Flory Lecture was the last of the McPherson College Lecture Series for this year. Well over 100 people attended this event, composed mostly of community members and a few faculty and students.

Schlender's passion for technology began when he was young.

"I'm what people in the high-tech businesses call an 'early adopter,'" Schlender said. "Even in junior high school, I had the interests of a nerd."

He worked with and reported about the latest technology starting while he was at college at Kansas University. He was even one of the first people to purchase an IBM PC.

Schlender told the audience about the life of his father-in-law, who lived in Nicaragua for most of his life. His father-in-law grew up in a coffee plantation in the isolated mountains. When he was born, he didn't have electricity. Before he died, at 100 years of age, he owned one of the first ecotourism resorts, had electricity, satellite television, mobile phones and was using email.

"All you have to do is look at history to get a sense about how technological innovation is inevitable and how it will also invariably enhance and enrich our lives, our economy and our society in ways that will happen right before our eyes," Schlender said.

He stressed how broad the term "technology" can cover.

"Technology is the practical application of knowledge to solve a problem or achieve an objective," Schlender said. "Even the U.S. Constitution is, in a way, a technology because it is a system that

ties away making decisions and policies on behalf of the population. It was a formula entirely man made and built out of knowledge."

Schlender spoke on his experience covering events in the Silica Valley, where many chips and processors are created and how they work. He conveyed that millions of functions were happening millions of times a second on a tiny chip.

"No wonder these people in the computer industry think that you can almost build anything," Schlender said. "The sky's the limit. This enormous power and this enormous speed and this tiny miniaturization can all create incredible opportunities for creative thinkers."

As a personal friend of Bill Gates of Microsoft and Steve Jobs of Apple, Schlender retold a basic history of their lives and how the technologists were similar and different.

First, one common quality is their ability to be autodidactic. They had to teach themselves something that had never been done before. Also, they had a single-minded focus that became an obsession. They also had a peripheral vision of upcoming technology.

Schlender noted the difference between the two creators: Jobs was always looking to combine his products with other technology.

Schlender is writing a biography about Steve Jobs.

Linda Heidebrecht, a McPherson resident who attended the lecture, said, "I really enjoyed the last part with his person insights of Bill Gates and Steve Jobs."

Schlender said that all professionals are technologists in some way.

"We're all inventors," Schlender said. "We're all technologists. Farmers, teachers, chefs, homebuilders all have to solve unique problems."

Schlender concluded his presentation with five rules of success.

First, if it can't be done, it will be done. There is an eternal optimism among technologists.

Second, as a warning, don't mistake a

clear view with a short distance.

Third, eat your own dog food. If somebody designs something, they should use their own product.

Fourth, don't be a bug on a windshield—be the windshield; don't delay.

Fifth, a retelling of an Irish saying: If you aren't confused, you don't understand anything. Anything worth knowing is complicated.

Schlender allowed the audience to ask questions.

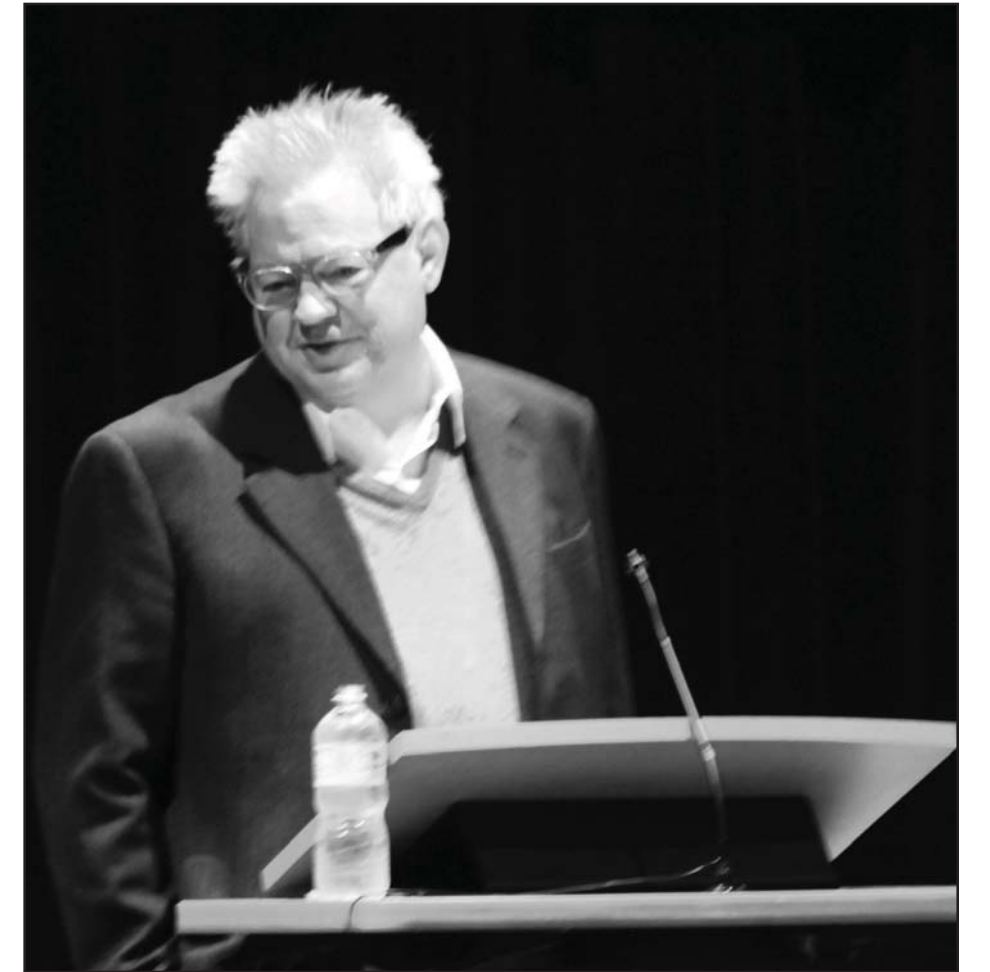


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Brenton Schlender, editor at large for "Fortune Magazine," was the last guest speaker this year at the Flory Lecture on Sunday, April 7 at 4 p.m. in Migenback Theatre. Schlender spoke about his passion for technology; he has been interested in technology since he was in junior high school. During his college years at Kansas University, he worked with and reported about the latest technology. Schlender also talked about his experience covering events in the Silica Valley, where any chips and processors are created. He reported about how they worked. Schlender told the basic lives of Bill Gates of Microsoft and Steve Jobs of Apple. He was a personal friend to both Gates and Jobs. Schlender is writing a biography about Steve Jobs. Schlender commented that are professionals are technologists in some way. After concluding his lecture with the five rules of success, he allowed the audience to ask questions.

The Hot spot

BY: LAURINA HANNAN

A GLIMPSE INTO THE LIFE OF JILL METCALF, CAFETERIA NIGHT SUPERVISOR

HOMETOWN: Clay Center

EDUCATION: I have a degree in criminal justice from Kansas Wesleyan. I started the pharmacy technician program from Hutchinson, but I injured my knee and didn't get to finish.

BEEN HERE: Three years.

ROLE MODELS: Probably my parents. My dad always has such a wonderful work ethic and he was so well liked by everyone. My mother was the disciplinarian. She walkway did it with love. She's always there for me.

IMPRESSION OF MAC: I'm trying to take care of my daughter. I'm separated. Tammy and Sandy are wonderful to work with. They schedule me to work when she works and to be home when she's home.

THINK OF THE SCHOOL: I haven't seen a lot what goes on. I see the kids in the cafeteria. It seems like a great school to go to. I went to Kansas Wesleyan so it reminds me of it. What I see is close knit and students working with staff and a lot of comfort. It looks like a great school to get help at.

IF MONEY WASN'T AN ISSUE: I

would not work if I didn't have to. Unfortunately, I have a lot of physical issues. I'd like to travel. I have a lot of family I'd like to see. I'd travel out of the U.S. Relax.

HOPES AND DREAMS: I hope that my child gets into a good school and that she's successful and happy.

GROWING UP: I came from a very small town. Whatever you did, people knew. It was great. You could play from the time you got up to sundown. You just had to check in with the parents once and it was great fun.

ADVICE FOR STUDENTS: Seems like they always try to treat me like I'm a second mom. Every time they ask me questions, I try to tell them what I'd do. Ultimately, it depend on what they want to do. It matters if they're happy. Don't dream small, dream big. I've heard some of the kids talk about all of the things they're doing and I'm amazed by how big they dream and have goals. I hope they get to do what they want to do.

WISH MAC WOULD DO: I'm not sure. I don't know the curriculum. They could redo the whole cafeteria issue and make it a little bigger. And get new equipment. Definitely bigger.

McPherson College recognizes autism awareness month

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April is Autism Awareness Month and McPherson College has joined the cause.

Autism is a complex developmental disability that effects a person's ability to communicate and interact with other people. This disability affects 1 of every 88 births in the U.S. and affects 1 in every 54 boys.

Although there is no known cause for autism, increased awareness and support has been able to help families all around.

The campus Rotaract Club will be putting on a fund-raiser to support autism. The Mr. Irresistible Pageant is set to happen next fall.

The pageant will have five different events. There will be an evening wear, casual wear, talent and swim wear. There is also one secret event which has not been disclosed.

Rotaract is only a small part of the whole awareness movement happening this month.

April 2 is the established as National Autism Day to highlight the help that people with this disability need.

Many different events have been taking

place already as to promote autism awareness.

The Major League Baseball is also having part in the effort of this month. They will be dedicating one home game to their fans that are affected by this disability. The participants will get local pre-game ceremonies.

They will also have the honor of activities such as throwing the first pitch, singing the national anthem and announcing, "Play ball."

Build-a-Bear Workshop has announced a special piece of support for the awareness as well. They have begun selling a special bear for the cause of funding research of autism.

The bear is \$18 and \$1 of every sale will be directly given to the cause.

Also, for the fourth year in a row, the Empire State Building lit the top of the building in blue in support of the "Light It Up In Blue Campaign."

This serves as a beacon of hope for the cause.

It is only one of 7,000 buildings doing this around the globe.

For more information about autism and to find ways to get involved visit autism-speaks.org.

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LEAD EDITORIAL

Wisdom, cool heads are needed more than ever

Wisdom is often linked to years of experience and knowledge. As a modern society, we should all be very wise. Access to information is near instantaneous and available to everyone, yet bad choices are still made.

These bad choices could be chalked up to immaturity, greed or selfishness. The main characteristic lacking in all of this is wisdom.

For example, the latest story in the news is that of missile threats from North Korea. This is a serious matter. A small nation, shrouded in mystery, has the capability to launch nuclear weapons against South Korea and other close range nations. Just because the ability to commit this act is there, it does not mean that it

should be carried out. Robert J. Sternberg, a highly honored professor, said, "Intelligence enabled people to build a nuclear bomb. Wisdom keeps them from using it and even makes them consider the folly of building it in the first place."

Practical wisdom is lost to today's society. More than ever, people make choices on what is best for their own interests and do not even consider the outcome for others. This is done at the peril of society because when we act with only our interest in mind, it allows for injustices and tragedies.

Another example is a boss you dislike or see as a tyrant. Some people may have had them in the past, have one now or will experience one in the future. The stan-

dard complaints of a worker who feels as though they have a lousy boss are that the boss does not listen to their input, they are deceptive and do not care about the employees below them. These are all signs of a lack of wisdom.

Think of all the tyrants in history. Most of them were intelligent, but none were very wise. They had their own goals in mind and forced them on others.

Wise people consider the outcome of choices before they make them. All factors, social, economic and personal are examined. The wise person makes a compromise between every factor as best as the situation allows. The Rolling Stones were right in singing, "you can't always get what you want," but remember to be

considerate and informed in decisions and consider how the outcome will affect friends, family and peers. When consideration is made to the over arching consequences of ones actions, better choices are made.

In the current tension between North Korea and the United States, let us hope that cooler heads prevail. If both sides use wisdom in their actions and seriously consider the repercussions, it might lead to a peaceful resolution.

So be considerate, next time a choice must be made use some wisdom. It might not be an important choice but if everyone uses some everyday practical wisdom, this world might just be a little better place to live.

Instant social media, smart phones lead to embarrassment

A few weeks ago I had a chance to go out to California with a friend of mine. "Lance," (names have been changed to protect the guilty) hails from sunny So-Cal. With secure lodging in place we headed out enthusiastic to break free from a Kansas snowstorm that threatened to spoil all hope of a proper spring break. Excitement for the trip grew rapidly even though the enthusiasm didn't have much time to gain momentum, considering the plans were basically last minute.

I had been to California prior to this trip just a little over 10 years ago; January 2002 to be exact. That, too, was a spur-of-the-moment decision that coincided with a Counting Crows Concert I found myself needing to attend, again with another friend.

Ten years ago I flew out of JFK airport from New York. In this latest trip, my friend and I drove from Kansas. For

each trip I traded snow and ice for a much warmer and inviting climate.

On the first trip I prepared a list of appropriate west coast-Cali-based music to blast in the rental car by burning a CD filled with songs pertaining to the great state of California and activities that one could do there. The list consisted of the obvious songs by The Beach Boys, TuPac, Shakur, Dr. Dre, The Notorious B.I.G., The Mamma's and the Papa's and of course some Counting Crows

For our current trip, Lance and I simply watched several YouTube videos of the SNL skit, "The Californians," which helped up have a frame of reference of the true Californian way of life. This occurred, of course, over smart phones and Wi-Fi technology.

Times sure have changed. It's hard to believe, but YouTube wasn't around in 2002. Smart phones and streaming technologies were in their primitive stages,

and the technological abilities we have now were only visions and hopes back then.

Now, spring break shenanigans can be uploaded to the web before your return flight leaves the ground and long before your marathon-drive home reduces your friends and you down to whining, zombie and sleep-deprived drivers.

Our parents and their parents used to gather their friends around projectors for slide shows of their vacations. If taken, all the incriminating pictures had been weeded out and left for more prudent and private viewing. Now, we their children,

can upload, tag, and show off our less-than-glorious selves instantly. We have quickly become the best at showing ourselves at our worst and still want em-

ployment, respect, and well, let's face it, a good laugh at our own follies!

I can't wait to see what the next 10 years of technology allows us to do with our sensibilities. We have a choice to either leave them at home or bring them with us, with the option to display them just long enough to rent cars, hotels and otherwise feign responsibility. We can rest assured, or rather quite un-assured, our kids are going to embarrass the hell out of us, and we'll deserve it!

THE FINE PRINT

Shane Dresser



Shifting limitations lead to experience, confidence

Shift from neutral to first, letting off the clutch and hitting the accelerator just enough to catch. The engine stalls. Turn the key to the off position and back to the on position. Gently letting off the clutch to hit the accelerator; it catches, pulling the truck forward. Putter along until the speedometer reads 10 miles per hour; push the clutch in, shift into second gear.

In second gear, pattering around and making sharp turns with a big grin. Slowly hit the clutch and the brake. The truck comes to a slow stop. Moving the shifter to neutral with the clutch in, I wait a second and shift into first gear as I prepare to go.

In an old 1964 Chevy short bed truck, driving in a school parking lot, I slowly relearn how to drive a manual vehicle. I was taught once as a young teen by my father, in an old Dodge flat bed, the year I

am not sure of. When I was young, I loved sitting in the old Dodge in the driveway just pretending to drive; pressing in the clutch and pretending to shift. High school started and life sped up, leaving me with not much time to continue learning how to drive a manual. Now as a sophomore in college I am finally relearning this lost skill.

After driving an automatic vehicle for five years, it is difficult jumping right into driving a manual vehicle. Honestly I was scared to death behind the wheel with my foot on the clutch, and my hand on the shifter. I was not completely comfortable driving a manual vehicle. I was always scared I would destroy the transmission in some freak accident. It was not until I was in the "hot seat" one night that I became finally comfortable driving a manual. That

fateful night, a manual truck was stalled in the middle of the road, of course being the only girl I was the lightest which put me right in the driver's seat. The truck need push start after push start. After many frustrating attempts, the truck finally starts. With adrenaline pumping, I quickly reacted, never once thinking about shifting, driving the truck around the block like a champ.

I felt like a hero, with a childish mouth constantly jabbering, "Did you see me, did you see me? I drove the truck all by myself!" As I am relearning how to drive a manual vehicle I continue to feel like a champ, like all my fears of driving in this

primitive way no longer exist. My fear has been defeated by practice and being thrown into the "hot seat." All fears can be defeated whether you practice, do it by your own free will or by being thrown in the "hot seat." Take a chance make something scary into something to be proud of. Shift out of neutral.

CREATIVE CHAOS

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Business Club travels to Tennessee to see businesses

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The Business Club traveled to Nashville, Tenn. to visit and tour new businesses and enjoy themselves in a different part of the country.

The bus ride took the 21 students 13 hours one way, not including stops. They stayed in Nashville from Wednesday, March 13 until Sunday, March 17.

After driving to St. Louis, Miss., the students stopped and took a two hour tour of Anheuser-Busch, Inc., which is a brewery.

The students finished the trip to Nash-

ville, where they stayed in a hotel.

On Thursday, March 14, the students took a tour of Caterpillar Finance, an industrial equipment manufacture. They were able to speak with a panel of four employees of the company.

"I think my favorite tour was probably Caterpillar Finance," said Claire Krizek, sr., McPherson. "The panel of four people had different backgrounds. It was nice that they could all give us good, but varied information. It was interesting listening to them because they liked what they were doing."

After the tour and speaking with the panel, three of the students were invited

to job shadow the next day. They would also have their resumes pulled out from the stack when applying for a job. Those students were Tiffany Rooker, sr., Hillsboro, Mike Phillips, sr., Spring Branch, Texas, and Vyacheslav Bukatin, sr., Perm Russia.

One that same day, the students also took a tour of Lasko, where plastic fans are manufactured. The students were taken through the entire process by the chief executive officer and head engineer.

Later that day the students were given more of a history lesson. They visited the Carnton Plantation in Franklin, Tenn. It was a battle site during the Civil War.

On Friday, March 15, the three students that were invited to job shadow did so separate from the rest of the group. Everyone else visited the Gaylord Hotel and Resorts, and later the Louisiana Pacific, a manufacturer of construction materials. There they met the head of marketing and human resources. They spoke with them about products and international plans. That evening the students attended the Grand Ole Opry and listened to six different performers.

On Saturday, March 16, the students were able to visit the Titans Practice Facility and the Baptist Sports Park. They were given a tour of the entire facility, including weight room and other private parts of the facility.

Erik Steffens, sr., Dighton, said, "I was happy that everything came together. I really thought we had a great group of tours."

Sunday arrived and the students left Nashville at 7 a.m. to return to McPherson.

Submitted photo

Tayler Puttergill, sr., Tryon, Neb., Aspen Frey, jr., Newton, and Shea Schweitzer, jr., Plevna, pose in front of the Grand Ole Opry House on their trip with the McPherson Business Club.




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Belly dancing class provides fun for students

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Finger cymbals, flashy skirts, and body movements that at first looked easy to do and then turned out to be quite deceiving. These were parts of the one-time belly dancing class that several McPherson College students took part in on Tuesday, April 3.

Not many people showed up but those who did were quite enthused. Before the class had even started there were laughs, smiles and much excitement over the flashy coin skirts she brought along; one for each of the girls.

"I loved getting to wear the flashy coin skirts," Colby Patton, soph., Maize, said. "I think all of us did."

The teacher started the class by presenting a bit of history about belly dancing.

She explained that while belly dancing is sometimes viewed as a seductive, mind blowing dance for men, it was actually conceived by women for women.

In the early days of belly dancing, there was no dancing for the men. She went on to tell that belly dancing was actually associated with childbirth.

She explained that while there were many different types of belly dances, the type they were going to perform would have a bit of hip-hop to it.

Nerves were showing when the class got going.

The instructor first did a routine for the girls that demonstrated a little bit of what they would be doing, complete with finger cymbals.

Torey Fry, sr., Wichita, said, "At the beginning I was really uncomfortable, especially when the instructor did the routine

for us. She was such an amazing belly dancer that it made me feel embarrassed for not understanding the moves."

As time went on, the girls began to feel more and more confident in their dance and enjoyed what they were learning.

Confidence began to spring as the girls began to become more and more proficient in their dancing. The instructor also included that she loved belly dancing because of the fact that one does not need a perfect body. She explained how belly dancing actually uses a little extra "baggage."

It could be said that this exercise is about embracing the body and using what you have.

Fry said, "I liked learning about the different types of dance moves you could do. I didn't realize that there was so much technique to shaking your butt or chest."



Photo by Arryana Barton

Torey Fry, sr., Wichita, and Colby Patton, soph., Maize, practice their belly dancing moves at a free lesson on April 3.

Theater season announced

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McPherson College announced the theater season for the 2013-2014 school year.

The shows include "The Effects of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds" by Paul Zindel, "Into the Woods" by James Lapine, "Spitfire Grill" by James Valcq and Fred Alley, "Moon Over Buffalo" by Ken Ludwig and "The Cradle Will Rock" by Marc Blitzstien.

J.d. Bowman, associated professor of theater, and Rick Tyler, professor of speech and theater, are looking at expanding the shows and audience for next year. Since they have 15 to 20 seniors graduating they are going to send the seniors out with one of the most challenging and controversial theater years McPherson College has ever seen.

"This is the highest number of seniors next year than in the past 15 years and I'm excited for what the leadership will bring in general," Bowman said.

Some of the new experiences for the theater include an alumni show, where the students will perform one weekend and then the next weekend alumni will perform with the same blocking. The college is bringing professionals from London, Chicago, New York and Los Angeles.

New club opens opportunity to gather in worship

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There is no longer an excuse for McPherson College students to stop going to religious services because of a lack of opportunities.

Over the past semester, a small group of students have come together to start a faith-based group for college students. They call themselves Takeover. Chris Barnes, jr. Los Angeles, Calif., co-founder of Takeover said he collaborated with Carole Barr, director of the Royer Center for academic development, to create the group for students who needed spiritual fulfillment while receiving the social backing from friends.

Barnes said, "We are different from a normal campus ministry or Bible study group because we try to keep our meetings more in the social realm and not too much on religion. Takeover welcomes any belief or faith and we don't focus on one set denomination."

Other members of the team include Catherine Lowry, soph., Falcon, Colo., Havelock Pomele, jr., San Jose, Calif., Jordan Hoffman, jr., McCordsville, Ind., Deon Shorter, jr., Pasadena, Calif., and Katie Naccarato, sr., Valley Center.

Pomele said, "It's a place where we can come together as a family and build each other spiritually, mentally and physically. The group was created for us to all come together and build the kingdom."

Not only does Takeover help people to keep their faith, it can also help people who are struggling; be it emotionally or religiously.

Matt Wagner, soph., Castle Rock, Colo., said, "Takeover changed my life. I was down such a bad road and they aided me to my enlightenment."

Takeover meets every Sunday at 8:30 p.m. in the basement of Miller Library in room 103, the teacher education classroom. People of all denominations, religions and ages are welcome to join.



Photo by Kiara Mathis

ShaRhonda Maclin, dean of students, a student, and Carole Barr, director of the Royer Center for Academic Development, participate in McPherson's newest club, Takeover. Among other participants, these three enjoyed the benefits of Takeover on a Sunday evening at 8:30 p.m. in the basement of Miller Library. The club serves as a religious and social outlet to all who attend. In the short time that the club has been established, it has already begun to change students' lives.